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To: The Honorable Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman
and Members, Board of County Commissioners, Miami-Dade County

From: Felix Jimenez, Inspector General 

Date: October 29, 2024

Subject: Reappointment as Inspector General

My contract as Miami-Dade County's Inspector General expires on November 2, 2024. Section 2-1076(b)(3) of the Code of Miami Dade County provides that the BCC "...may by majority vote of members present reappoint the Inspector General to another term."

Please consider this my formal request to the Chair and the members of this Board to reappointment me as Inspector General. This past August, to comport with the custom of my predecessors, I provided notice to the Chair of the impending expiration of my contract and my interest in seeking reappointment. I have received no communication or information. I respectfully request this Board raise the matter of my reappointment at the next meeting on November 6, 2024.

At that time there will be a lapse, but this situation is not without precedent. Both prior Inspectors General, Christopher Mazzella and Mary Cagle, experienced lapses between reappointments. Specifically, IG Mazzella served 9 months from March 1, 2005, until December 20, 2005, without a contract, see Resolution R-1394-05, and IG Cagle was without a contract for 18 days before reappointment by BCC Resolution R-177-18 on February 21, 2018. Until action by the BCC, both prior Inspectors General were able to provide continuity in the operations of the Office of the Inspector General (OIG). I hope to provide that same continuity and stability.

I remain committed to the mission of the OIG to investigate waste, fraud, and abuse, and provide oversight of County affairs. I look forward to appearing before the Board at the next meeting on November 6, 2024, and discussing the work of the OIG under my leadership.

cc: Hon. Daniella Levine Cava, Mayor, Miami-Dade County
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